GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1893
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2001
RAILWAY FACILITY TO PASSENGERS OF NCR REGION
PRABHAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made any plan to provide railway facilities to the passengers of NCR region toreduce the load of population on Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any ring railway connecting Agra- H.Nizamuddin Intercity Express in the morning at H.Nizamuddin Railway Station to take the passengers to New Delhi Railway Station;

(d) if not, the reasons therefore;

(e) whether Paschim Express which runs between Mumbai Central to Amritsar takes more than three hours from Mathura Jn. To New Delhi Railway Station;

(f) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government to streamline the punctuality and functioning in running of trains and to provide more trains on Agra −Mathura − New Delhi Route?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) to (g) A statement is attached.

STATEMENTREFERREDTO IN REPLY TOPARTS (a) TO (g) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1893 BY SHRI PRABH SAMANTRAY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29.11.2001 REGARDING RAILWAY FACILITY TO PASSENGERS OF NC REGION.

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. National Capital RegionPlanning Board, under Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation has made a plan to develop commuter travel within Delhi and NCR.Ministry of Railway has agreed in principle to share 1/3rd of the cost of scheme. In the first phase following three corridors have been identified:-

i) Shahdara - Sahibabad - Ghaziabad
ii) Minto Bridge - Tilak Bridge - Sahibabad
iii) Dayabasti (Patel Nagar) - Bijwasan − Gurgaon.

(c) & (d) No ring railway train connects Agra - Nizamuddin Intercity Express towards New Delhi.But GDP -I Palwal- Ghaziabad EMU connects the Intercity Express at- Nizamuddin for going towards New Delhi.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) Due to operational reasons.

(g) Punctuality of trains in general and on the Agra -Mathura - New Delhi route in particular is intensively monitored at the Divisional, Zonal and Railway Boardlevel round the clock. Owing to over saturated line capacity utilization on the Agra - Delhi route and terminal constraints in the New Delhi area for maintenance oftrains introduction of new trains gets restricted. However, this is a continuous process subject to operational feasibility resource availability and traffic justifications.